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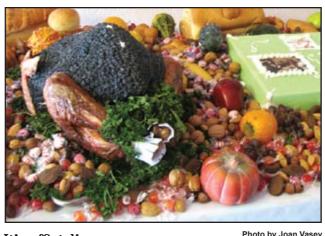


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Military Appreciation 101

Effective ways to show appreciation of those who serve

By Darcia Kunkel

Fort Carson family member Reprinted from the Fort Carson Mountaineer

In recent days, I have been extremely discouraged by seemingly well-meaning people who are just ignorant when it comes to support of the military. Having been an Army spouse for 12 years, let me illustrate how this occurs.

"I am in total support of our military and Soldiers, but ... and therein lies the rub. Why can't anyone leave well enough alone? I've heard this from total strangers, co-workers, friends and yes, even relatives.

The "but" is usually followed by a myriad of political insight, most of which has been attained through sound bytes off CNN. Here's a news flash for you ... when you say "but I don't agree with how we got there, what we are doing or why we are there" you have just negated your support and the mission of every Soldier out there.

Another angle to avoid is the "semi-sympathy" jargon. Most of the spouses and Soldiers I've talked to really don't want to hear "I feel so sorry for you and

your children. How do you do it? It is awful that you have to go through this. It's such a mess over there." This again ... belittles the support, no matter how well-intended.

Nothing exasperates a military family more than political opinions and gooey sympathy spewed from "behind the lines" citizens (and relatives) — many who have never set foot on a military base or been in a war zone. Most of their great insight comes from so-called firsthand truths which are absorbed through television sets, national magazines or newspapers.

Of course the reporters for these entities obviously have Zen-like omnipresent knowledge on the subject ... even though most sit in the "green zones" of war-torn areas and pick up bits of information, often second or third hand. Don't take it that I am against reporters, as I myself majored in journalism and public relations, but I am appalled at the misinformation and negative stories out there.

I can't begin to count the number of times errors in the details of units, troop movements, battles, deaths, deployment orders and Soldier names have been reported (not to mention the number of times it has

aided the enemy). All that aside, what should you say to a family member of a deployed Soldier ... or any Soldier for that matter?

Start by saying thank you. Thank you for the sacrifices you and your family make every day for our nation. Thank you for your efforts in other countries on behalf of people you don't even know, so that they may one day enjoy the freedoms we so easily take for

You should be proud to be part of such a pivotal chapter in history, and for actually trying to make a difference in this world. Thank you for standing firm, holding the line, defending the peace and protecting those who cannot protect themselves ... for these are honorable actions.

Next I suggest this: say "thank you" with more than just words. Here are some ways:

- Just listen offer no opinion just listen.
- Ask Soldiers or family members about their specific military occupational specialty (job in the

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Scoult On The Street — What does "Army Strong" mean to you?



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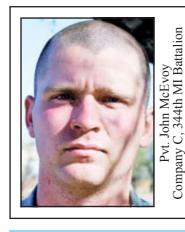
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Signal Soldiers rumble during Huachuca Thunder

Story and photo by 1st Lt. Ryan Jones

11th Signal Brigade Public Affairs Office

The Thunderbirds conducted Huachuca Thunder, the first of two training exercises for this fiscal year at the beginning of November.

The nine-day event spread the brigade around Fort Huachuca's training sites Agave Ridge, North Gate, Boston, East Range and East Range West and involved more than 700 Soldiers from the 11th Signal Brigade.

There were also more than 180 Soldiers from the 286th Signal Company from Fort Bliss, Texas who integrated their Mobile Subscriber Equipment into the exercise. This item is not found in the 11th Signal Brigade's communications equipment cache.

The exercise was a chance to validate and test the brigade's communications equipment and to give the Soldiers a realistic training environment to prepare them for future worldwide deployments.

The brigade's intent for this exercise was to train and sustain brigade communications teams and equipment in a high intensity, realistic tactical training environment

Unlike past training exercises, the brigade chose to stay put during this exercise and not move to different locations on or off post.

The stability created an optimal



The commander of Company A, 40th Signal Battalion, Capt. Michael Ryan, See SOLDIERS, Page A11 mentors 2nd Lt. Leticia Ortiz at Site East Range-West.

Warrant officer reclassifies to new military occupational specialty

By Thom Williams

Scout Staff

Warrant Officer Walter Stoebe, 46, a 352P signal intelligence voice intercept technician, is transitioning to 351M human intelligence technician, a much needed Military Occupational Specialty, after more that 18 years of service in the U.S. Army.

The Korean linguist joined the Army in 1988. He completed basic training and then graduated from advanced individual training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas as a 98P voice intercept operator.

Stoebe spent 13 years as an enlisted Soldier and rose to the rank of sergeant first class before switching over to the warrant officer ranks.

He has been a warrant officer for five years and said making the decision to make the transition to the warrant officer ranks was difficult.

"I was at the point where I made senior NCO (noncommissioned officer) and was on track for great things in the NCO ranks," Stoebe said.

"I chose to stay more closely related to the technical details of what I did for a living instead of the administrative details of running a platoon or becoming a first sergeant and a sergeant major."

Stoebe and his family have been back at Fort Huachuca for about a year.

He initially returned to the U.S. Army Intelligence Center as a permanent party Soldier and was the course manager for the Signal Intelligence course before deciding to change MOSs.

"The Army is at war and needs Human Intelligence Technicians right now and I felt that I had some skills, background and experience that would be useful," Stoebe

In order to make the transition. Stoebe first attended the enlisted 97E Human Intelligence Collector course here and then moved on to the warrant officer training. He

Voice Intercept technician has confidence the training is preparing him for his future missions.

> "We in the Warrant Officer Training Branch do a really good job of tracking where people are going and finding out what kind of job they are actually going into," he said. "We then hook them up with the people who can help with what they need to know, the person they are going to replace or anything like that so

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Army ups referral bonus to \$2K

By Daisy Bueno

Special to the Scout

Bonuses have doubled to \$2K for Soldiers and retirees referring future Soldiers to the Referral Bonus Pilot Program.

Active-duty and reserve-component Soldiers, and Army retirees, are eligible for the referral bonus.

Soldiers working in the Hometown Recruiter Assistance Program, Special Recruiter Assistance Program, Active Duty for Special Work Program or the Future Soldier Training Program are also eligible if the prospective Soldier has not already met with a recruiter.

The bonus is not paid to Soldiers referring members of their immediate families, to include spouses, children, parents, stepparents and siblings.

Referrals should be made through the Army Referral System-Sergeant Major of the Army Recruiting Team Web site at www.usarec.army.mil/ smart. An Army Knowledge Online user name and password are required to use the site. Users will be asked to submit such personal information as their social security number to facilitate payment. Referrals may also be made at (800) 223-3735, ext. 6-0473.

The bonus is paid in two lump sums. The first half is paid when the Soldier begins basic training, and the second half is paid after the Soldier graduates from One-Station Unit Training or Advanced Individual Training.

There are no retroactive provisions to the change. Sponsors who provided referrals before Nov. 13 are only eligible for the \$1K bonus.

Credit card scam targets government employees here

Scout reports

Many individuals on Fort Huachuca have recently received an e-mail from Bank of America notifying them that their card may have been compromised and that fraudulent activity made it necessary to limit their card for online services.

The e-mail directs you to click on a link to validate your identity.

This is a fraudulent attempt to get personal informa-

If you have received this e-mail, do not respond to it and do not click on the link. Forward the e-mail to abuse@bankofamerica.com.

The Government Purchase Cards issuing bank is US Bank and US Bank will never send an e-mail requesting

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The last Scout published during 2006 is the Dec. 14 issue. The paper will then cease publication for two weeks.

The first Scout for 2007 will be the Jan. 4 issue.

Thanks to those who worked closely with us this year to help bring news, features, sports, commentaries and other information to the Fort Huachuca community. The Scout staff wishes everyone a joyous and safe holiday season.

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Intel specialist named Civilian of Month

Scout Reports

Clifford Gray, intelligence specialist, Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command, Software Engineering Center, Intelligence Fusion Systems Division, has been named the Fort Huachuca November Civilian of the Month.

His diverse responsibilities include managing and leading two Integrated Product Teams and three intelligence related working groups. The result of the IPTs and WGs ensured commanders and intelligence personnel in Operation Iraqi Freedom, Operation Enduring Freedom and the Global War on Terrorism get timely, relevant, and accurate intelligence information.

His duties include developing innovative approaches to extrapolate information; evaluate changes in data; validate analytical conclusions and write summaries of project findings and recommendations.

As the only intelligence specialist in



the Software Engineering Branch, Gray also gathers, analyzes, and compiles data on specific intelligence developments and requirements. He then assists software engineers in developing applications for Army Intelligence Analysts.

Gray's ability to direct the engineering staff to meet these objectives was critical to SEC IFS mission accom-

He demonstrated exceptional skill in articulating and developing intelligence requirements for use by the software engineering staff.

His outstanding record of achievement coupled with the ability to build and coach IPTs and WGs activities through leadership, creativity, effective management encouraged the division's staff to reach their maximum potential.

Gray also volunteers with Huachuca Mountain Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization participating in activities throughout the school year.

He performs community services through the Greater Huachuca Men's Golf Club throughout the year at events such as junior golf instruction clinics for community youth.

Five others were nominated for the November Civilian of the Month award:

Keith Gilley, Biomedical Electronics Tech, Medical Activity; Michael Gromatka, Battalion Supply Tech, 111th Military Intelligence Brigade; Andre Sexton, Assistant Inspector General, U.S. Army Network Enterprise Technology Command and the 9th Army Signal Command; Douglas Jefferson, Intelligence Specialist, Intelligence Electronic Warfare Test Directorate and James Hayden, Equipment Specialist, Communications Security Logistic Activity.

Nominate your employee for Fort Huachuca Civilian of the Month. All permanent appropriated fund and nonappropriated fund employees are eligible with the exception of employees officially assigned as supervisors (GS-10 and above) and senior executive service personnel. Contact the Civilian Personnel Advisory Center at 533-5282 for further information.

Tech. Sqt. Leonard Hodges, instructor and noncommissioned officer in charge of the computer maintenance section, teaches a SUN high Powered Maintenance Course student.

Courtesy photo



Air Force technical sergeant recognized

Scout reports

Tech. Sgt. Leonard Hodges of the 314th Training Squadron was selected for recognition in the Good Fellow Team Spotlight this month for recent duty performance by his commander.

Hodges, the noncommissioned officer in charge of the computer maintenance section teaches the SUN High Powered Maintenance Course as an instructor here. He also develops lesson plans and performs other administrative duties.

The Pine Bluff, Ark., native has more than 14 years in service and plans on finishing out a military career. He's been assigned to Fort Huachuca for 1 year, 5 months and will be stationed here for about four more years. The NCO enjoys Fort Huachuca.

"It was the number three choice on my dream sheet."

Hodges said, "I enjoy my job because I have been granted the ability to pass on knowledge and to provide a valuable skill set to those who need it.'

His goal is to finish his career without looking back and wondering if he gave his all.

Hodges enjoys any sport, especially football and movies, in general..

He resides off post with his wife, Amanda Boone and a pet cat.

Health Center gains new sterilizer unit

RWBAHC release

The Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center recently purchased a new steam sterilizer for their Operating Room at a cost of \$101,500. This sterilizer is used to process instruments used in all types of procedures throughout the health center. The unit replaces a 14-year-old model which was purchased in 1992.

The old sterilizer consumed an average 720 gallons of



Melvin Holte, Central Material Services supply technician, operates the new sterilizer at Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center.

water per day whereas the new model will consume only an average 292 gallons of water each day, saving Fort Huachuca an average of 400 gallons of water per day.

Col. Susan Annicelli, commander of the health center said, "It's great to be able to upgrade our equipment to better serve our patients and support our environment."

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Fort Huachuca Holiday Services – 2006

CATHOLIC: PROTESTANT:

Regular masses

Daily Mass: 11:30 a.m. Main Post Chapel (M, T, W, F)

4:45 p.m. Main Post Chapel, Mass followed by

Adoration (Th)

Sunday: 9:15 a.m. Main Post Chapel

Sunday: 12 p.m. Kino Chapel Sunday: 6:30 p.m. Prosser Village

Special services (all held at the Main Post Chapel

<u>Date</u> **Service** Dec. 8 11:30 a.m.

Immaculate Conception Mass Dec. 8 5 p.m. Immaculate Conception Mass

Advent Communal Penance Service Dec. 11 7 p.m.

Dec. 24 5 p.m. Children's Mass Dec. 24 Midnight Midnight Mass

Dec. 25 10 a.m. **Christmas Day Mass**

Dec. 31 5 p.m. New Year's Eve Mass

Jan. 1 10 a.m. New Year's Day Mass Regular services

Sunday: 9 a.m. Gospel - Kino Chapel

9:30 a.m. Prosser Village Chapel

11 a.m. Contemporary Service – Eifler Gym

11 a.m. Main Post Chapel

Special services (all held at the Main Post Chapel)

Date Time Service

Dec. 24 7 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

> Dec. 5, 6 p.m. **Holiday Tree Lighting Lighting of the Menorah 36th Army Band and Santa Claus Visit**

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11th Signal Brigade cooks up turkey, trimmings

Scout reports

The 11th Signal Brigade got a jump start on Thanksgiving by celebrating the holiday one day early Nov. 22.

The Thunderbird Dining Facility staff spent the day in aprons, decorating and cooking up a special feast for the Soldiers, family, friends and members of the Sierra Vista community.

Diners feasted on prime rib, Cornish hens, ham, and of course, turkey with all the fixings.

Frozen ice sculptures provided a visual treat to those who entered the facility. So did tables decorated with culinary

confections, bread sculptures, turkeys encased in raisins and other festive treats, candy and more.

The 11th Signal Brigade's senior leaders, attired in dress blues, dished out food to more than 600 people who consumed several hundred pounds of meat.

> "We got the turnout we expected," said Sgt. 1st Class Ronald Wilson, assistant manager of the dining facility. "We had to order the food several months out."

> While some of the food would dry out if kept for a long period, some of the decorations will last through the Christmas holidays and are already on display near the Christmas tree.



Festive foods adorned many tables at the Thunderbird Dining Facility Nov. 22.



Spc. Robert O'Brien, 504th Signal Battalion, cuts prime rib in preparation for the diners.

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Soldiers, families should understand influenza, vaccine

Reprinted from www.cdc.gov/flu

The flu is a contagious respiratory illness caused by influenza viruses. It can cause mild to severe illness, or lead to death. The best way to prevent the flu is by getting a flu vaccination each fall.

Every year in the United States, on average, five to 20 percent of the population gets the flu; more than 200,000 people are hospitalized from flu complications and about 36,000 people die from flu.

People who should get vaccinated each year are people at high risk for complications from the flu and people who live with or care for those at high risk for complications from flu, including: children 6–59 months, pregnant women, people 50 years

and older, people of any age with certain chronic medical conditions, people who live in nursing homes and other long term care facilities, household contacts of persons at high risk for complications from the flu, household contacts and out-of-home caregivers of children less than 6 months and healthcare workers.

People can get varying degrees of the flu. The symptoms of the flu are: fever (usually high), headache, extreme tiredness, dry cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, muscle aches and stomach symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea, can also occur but are more common in children that adults.

Complications of the flu can include bacterial pneumonia, ear infections, sinus

infections, dehydration and worsening of chronic medical conditions such as congestive heart failure, asthma, or diabetes.

The flu viruses spread mainly through coughing or sneezing. Sometimes people become infected by touching something with flu germs on it.

Healthy adults may be able to infect others from one day before and up to five days after becoming sick.

The single best way to prevent the flu is to get a flu vaccination. About two weeks after vaccination, antibodies develop that protect again influenza virus infection. Flu vaccines will not protect against illnesses caused by non-influenza viruses.

October or November is the best time to get vaccinated, but getting vaccinated in

December or later can still be beneficial.

The military prioritizes recipients of the flu vaccine based on mission. Raymond W. Bliss Army Health Center has received some of the flu vaccine. Currently it is being given to the active-duty Soldiers who have been identified as priority.

Active duty personnel may call 533-4763 for vaccine availability. RW-BAHC will provide more flu vaccinations when supplies arrive. The most up-to-date information on vaccine availability and scheduling is available at 533-2997. The phone message will be updated weekly throughout the flu season. For more information go to www.cdc.gov/flu/index.htm

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NETCOM's chief of staff retires



Col. Mary Beth Shively receives a cased U.S. flag from Peter Criscuolo, honorary sergeant, B-Troop 4th Cavalry, regimental.



Brig. Gen. Carroll Pollett, NETCOM/9th **Army Signal Command's commanding** general places Col. Mary Beth Shively's retirement pin on her lapel during her retirement ceremony held during retreat Nov. 21, in front of Greely Hall. Shively's husband, Steve, a retired Army colonel, looks on.



Speaking at Shively's retirement ceremony Nov. 21, Pollett said Shively " ... was the right leader at the right time in history to serve as our Chief of Staff." Shively was the NETCOM/9th ASC wartime chief of staff for the past three years.

By Gordon Van Vleet NETCOM/9th ASC Public Affairs Office

Friends and family, joined by Soldiers, civilians, contractors and their families, gathered for a special retreat ceremony

Nov. 21, as Col. Mary Beth Shively said goodbye to a long and distinguished career and participated in her last retreat as an active duty Soldier.

In a ceremony held in front of Greely Hall, home to Network Enterprise Technology

Command/9th Army Signal Command's headquarters —the command where she spent most of her career — Shively

ended almost 30 years of service to her country and joined her husband, Retired Col. Steve Shively, in retirement.

The decision to join the Army wasn't a hard one for Shively. As the daughter of an Army ordnance officer, being a Soldier was already in her blood before she raised her hand and pushed off to the Signal

Officer Basic Course and Airborne School

Shively had many people who helped her during her career in the Army and in the Signal Corps. "Every assignment I had, there was someone there to learn from," Shively said. "When I was the S-3 for the 40th (40th Signal Battalion, 11th Signal Brigade) Col. (Harry) Loper was the commander and Hylton (now retired Maj. Gen. James Hylton) was the executive officer. I learned a lot from both of

them. They both played a major role in my career." But when pressed for who helped the most, Shively said her husband Steve is the one who filled that role.

When asked what she was going to miss the most about the Army, Shively was quick to respond, "The Soldiers. I will definitely miss the Soldiers; because they are what it (the Army) is all about."

In addition to the Soldiers, Shively said she will miss all the people, the Soldiers, the civilians and the family members. However, there was one more thing she said she will miss besides the people. "I am also going to miss the sense

> of purpose that I found in the Army."

Shively's comments never ventured toward her personal accomplishments. Her concerns focused solely on others, but her contributions didn't go unrecognized.

Brig. Gen. Carroll Pollett, commanding general, NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command, said during his speech, "She is a professional Soldier, a dynamic leader, a visionary with a keen mind for setting conditions for success." Pollett said she has an uncanny ability to recognize potential chal-

lenges and the insight to adjust to any challenge and press forward, ensuring success in any mission or task."

The general summed up his thoughts by saying, "I respect and trust this great leader and consider myself honored to have served with Mary Beth Shively."

Even though she is retiring from the Army, she will never be forgotten as her photo will join the rank of photos of all the other chiefs of staff to have worked for the command she called home.



at the beginning of the retirement ceremony for Col. Mary Beth Shively. Shively retired after 30 years of service to her country.



Family members of Shively look on as remarks are given during the Nov. 21 retirement ceremony held during retreat in front of Greely Hall, home to NETCOM/9th Army Signal Command.

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training environment which gave younger, less experienced Soldiers a chance to train and test their knowledge of the equipment while the more experienced Soldiers supervised.

The exercise was the first brigade- level exercise under the command of Col. John Hildebrand, who assumed command in August.

The Thunderbirds' next brigade-level FTX will be conducted sometime early next year.



Spc. John Anthony and Sgt Lizbeth Garcia, with the dining facility, serve a hot meal.



Sgt. Terrance Mobley, Company A, helps maneuver a Deployable Rapid Assembly Shelter.



Photos by 1st Lt. Ryan Jon

Spc. Adon Villa, 286th Signal Company, Fort Bliss, Texas, guards the entry control point at Site Maverick.



Members of the 504th Signal Bn. roll out from the 11th Signal Brigade motor pool.



Soldiers from the 40th Signal Battalion camouflage their shelter and generator.

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Tuesday– AD, AK, AL, AP-1, AR, AU-1, T1, T1A,

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For more information on range closures contact Range Control at 533-7095. Closures are subject to change.

WHCART recruiting team visits

The White House Communications Agency Recruiting Team will visit Fort Huachuca from Monday to Dec. 8, conducting an orientation briefing from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday in Cochise Theater.

The White House Communications Agency is looking for Soldiers in the Military Occupational Specialties of 21H, L, W, 25D, F, P, Q, R, S, V, 44C, 88M, and 94E who meet specific criteria to provide state of the art communications support to the President of the United States.

For information, contact Sgt. 1st Class Elizabeth Gaut at (202) 757-5156, DSN 284-2000 ext 7-5156. Or, visit the White House Communications Agency Recruiting Web site at www.disa.mil/whca.

FEHB open season underway

This year's federal employee health benefits open season runs through Dec. 11. Coverage will be effective Dec. 31. Three programs are available for employees and retirees to choose from. These consist of the regular FEHB plans, the Federal Flexible Spending Account Program, and the new Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program.

All 2007 FEHB Guides, health plan brochures and the 2007 premium rates can be viewed at www.opm.gov/insure/health.

For the first time, eligible federal and postal employees and retirees will also be able to enroll in the new Federal Employees Dental and Vision Insurance Program during this year's open season. For updates on this new plan, please visit www.opm.gov/insure/dentalvision. Enrollment will be the same as for FEHB and FSAFEDS.

For questions regarding this year's FEHB open sea-

son, contact the Civilian Personnel Activity Center at 533-5273.

Tree lighting, Advent Day for Youth

The Fort Huachuca Christmas Tree lighting takes place at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the Main Post Chapel followed by a visit from Santa Claus. The public is invited.

On Dec. 9 at 1 p.m., the chapel invites those with children to celebrate Advent Day with games, movies and crafts to learn the true meaning of Christmas.

For information, call Rosemary Pino at 220-9427.

MCCW holds Christmas potluck

The Military Council of Catholic Women will hold their Christmas potluck meeting on Saturday at the Main post Chapel. The rosary starts at 9 a.m. followed by the meeting and potluck. Bring your favorite dish. Donations for Care Net are needed and will be collected at the event.

For information, call Karen Harper at 458-5983.

Vet Clinic holds shot clinic, car/dog wash

The Fort Huachuca Veterinary Clinic staff will hold a walk-in vaccination clinic for pets from 9 a.m. to noon, Dec. 9 at the clinic. In conjunction with the vaccination clinic, the clinic staff will wash cars and dogs. Call for details.

The Veterinary Treatment Facility is located in Building 30009 at the intersection of Hungerford Avenue and Clarkson Street.

For more information call 533-2767.

Brigade CSM retirement dinner

Join the 111th Military Intelligence Brigade in saying farewell to Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Edwards at 6 p.m. on Monday at the Windemere Hotel, S. Highway 92 in Sierra Vista. Edwards is retiring after 28 years of service to the United States Army. Seating is limited. Cost is \$27 per person.

For more information, contact Sgt. Maj. Paul Madrid at 533-1561.

CTIP appointments needed

Effective immediately, new procedures of the Central Turn-In Point, Building 90509, will require customers to schedule appointments. The hours of

operation, Monday through Thursday from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. will not change.

For an appointment, bring turn-in documents and supporting paperwork to the CTIP for screening. Only items identified during the screening process will be accepted on the scheduled turn-in date.

Late arrivals (15 minutes after scheduled appointment) must be rescheduled by the customer so as not to interfere with other customer appointments.

For information or to schedule an appointment, contact at Pat Quintana, 533-5610.

Retiree Council meets

The Fort Huachuca Retiree Council is now active and meets at 10 a.m. on the first Friday of each month, in the Jack Rabbit Room of the Murr Community Center on Fort Huachuca. Coffee call is at 9:30.

All military retirees are invited to attend the monthly open meetings. The next meeting of the Retiree Council will be Friday at 10 a.m. at the Murr Community Center.

U of I Army ROTC seeks cadets

If you are qualified prior service or a member of the National Guard or Reserve and wish to become an Officer, consider the University of Illinois Army ROTC Lateral Entry Program. The Program allows eligible students to contract into the Reserve Officer Training Corps as Cadets when they are academic juniors, seniors, or graduate students with four semesters of coursework remaining before graduation. Call toll-free at (877) 863-4768, e-mail at arotc@uiuc.edu, or visit the Web site at http://www2.uiuc.edu/unit/armyrotc/ for more details.

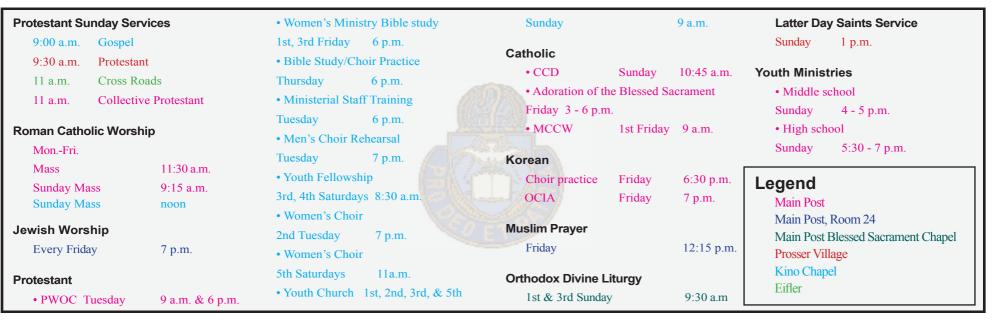
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Reserve MI trainers visit school here

By Debbie Spohn

Fort Huachuca Quality and Assurance Office

A workshop was hosted here Nov. 1 and 2 for representatives from the Army Reserve and National Guard units that train Military Intelligence military occupational specialties. The Reserve and Guard participants came from six schools that are currently accredited by the Army Intelligence School and two ARNG regional training institutes which are being considered as potential trainers. The workshop, chaired by Col. Rafael Torres, chief, Reserve Forces Office, focused on training development and future courseware for the 96 and 97 series MOSs.

In addition to the standard briefings, the agenda addressed a number of non-traditional approaches to training. One would be the intelligence school's first true offerings of a prerequisite Web-based distributed learning product that would directly support and supplement subsequent resident MOS acquisition training. Another would have Reserve Soldiers participate online from a remote site, in the Joint Interoperability Combat Test Center courses and other training exercises now offered only at Fort Huachuca.

This workshop reflects the long-standing and continuing relationship between the Intelligence School here and its Reserve counterparts who look to the fort for direction in courseware, accreditation and mobilization.

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- Shield your account number and card from view whenever possible.
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- Offer to watch a weary spouse's children so he/she can have an overnight getaway with their Soldier on R&R.
- Google and find one of the many military support Web sites.
- Forego that Vegas vacation, and visit a relative or friend whose spouse is deployed.
- Help a family readiness group send packages to Soldiers.
- Visit a military hospital or Fisher House.
- Come to a welcome home ceremony on a military base — there is nothing like it.
- Find out what Soldiers need and miss from home, and then send it.
- Donate to or volunteer at the United Services Organization.
 - Write a Soldier or family mem-

ber a letter, card or e-mail — that means your relatives, too!

- Respect a military funeral.
- Pay for a Soldier's lunch anonymously.
 - Donate frequent flyer miles.
- Fly your flag ... or at least learn what each item represents, how to fly it and when to stand up as it passes.
- Actually sing the national anthem
- Educate yourself on what Soldiers are actually doing, and investigate the history of the region they are
- Subscribe or logon to the Army Times, a military post newspaper or another military publication, and read the positive stories and missions.

It is difficult to understand the heart of a Soldier. You may wonder why a Soldier would want to go to a war, or why those wounded want to go back. Ask them. They will fill you in on the real stories, and give you a whole new perspective on the progresses made and "why we are there."

As for the families ... we do not ask for sympathy, for we are proud of our life and our Soldiers. We live it 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All we ask is that you save your political rhetoric for the political arena. History and the Almighty shall be the judge of present actions. Just give us your genuine support, love and a smile.

Give thanks to those who defend democracy — for they bear the gift of liberty and pay the price of freedom.

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that when they touch down wherever they are, they are running."

Once Stoebe completes training, he will report to Fort Stewart, Ga. and join the 3rd Infantry Division. Some of the division's units are scheduled to deploy to Iraq so there is a good chance he will also.

He has made 12 permanent change of station moves during his career and feels his family prepares him for unaccompanied tours or a deployment instead of him preparing his family.

Outside of his duties as a Soldier, Stoebe enjoys spending time with his family. "Being in the Army has taught me to take care of the people who are taking care of me," he said.

"I think it is very important for a Soldier to remember that they don't do it alone, and their family supports them. The most valuable thing that you can give back to them is your time whenever you can, regardless of what you do with them."

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Alex Epps, donation manager (left) and volunteer Bill Turner stock the racks with newly arrived clothing.



A customer checks out one of the many items available at the Fort Huachuca thrift Shop.



A customer examines one of many knicknacks available at the Thrift Shop. Since merchandise changes frequently, bargain hunters should check the shop often.

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Whether you are looking for a kitchen sink, a pocket knife or television, Thrift Shop volunteers make thrift shopping an enjoyable experience. With Christmas approaching, there are many like-new items that would make ideal gifts for someone on the Christmas list.

"It's here for the Soldiers and their families," said Thrift Shop Manager Lois Shuttleworth about the facility.

"When the Thrift Shop opened, it was for the Soldier to be able to get rid of things that they didn't need any more and to buy things that they did need," Shuttleworth said.

"Army thrift stores have grown so much," she said. "I started in 1962 at Fort Riley, Kansas, and came here in 1978, left in '81 came back in '88, and I've been here ever since," she explained. "I've been here as long as God created dirt, the volunteers tell me," Shuttleworth said, laughing.

"Oh, I love them (volunteers)!" Shuttleworth exclaimed. "I could not run this place without them," she said. "Volunteers are the backbone of the Thrift Shop and they do all the work. "We appreciate the volunteers, we really do," she continued. "We have about 50 volunteers and most of them work every day that we're open," she said.

Shuttleworth explained how volunteers work long hours to ensure the Thrift Shop stays open. "Consignment room volunteers work from 7:30 until about 12:30 each day," she said. "Volunteers who work out on the floor work until about 3 p.m. About four volunteers stay after 3 p.m. every day to pull items off the shelves and place in 'Granny's Closet, the Thrift Shop discount area."

"I'm a home maker, and it's easier to volunteer than to work outside the home," said Trudy Fail, the Thrift Shop 2005 Volunteer of the Year. "I have been volunteering here for over 20 years."

Fail said that while volunteering at the Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop, she has met many friends and because of that, she loves to volunteer. "It's a commitment that I enjoy," she said.

Shuttleworth said that because the Thrift Shop has volunteers, they are able to function smoothly and help out in other areas as well. She said the majority of the monies the Thrift Shop receives come from donations and consignments.



According to Shuttleworth, when someone brings in an item to be sold at the Thrift Shop, they will receive 75 percent of the cost of the item sold and the thrift shop keeps 25 percent. "We also receive a lot of donated items from which we receive 100 percent of proceeds," she said.

"After minimal expenses, everything is profit," Shuttleworth explained. "That profit goes back out into the community. "Right now, we split it. "Fifty percent goes toward scholarships and fifty percent to the post. "Some contributions go to downtown 501 (c) 3 organizations," she added.

Shuttleworth said that the Thrift Shop receives nice things from Soldiers and their families. "We get some really nice antiques in, furniture, glassware, dishes, clothing, blankets," Shuttleworth said, mentioning several things for purchase at the Thrift Shop.

"You name it. There's very little that we don't take, as long as it's clean and in good condition."

Shuttleworth said the Thrift Shop is laid out like an average department store.

"The clothing is on one end of the store and furniture, kitchenware, computers, television and things of that sort are on the other end," she explained. "We get a lot of antiques and sell a lot of jewelry." Granny's Closet' features items that are 25 percent off the ticket price," Shuttleworth added.

"I shop at the Thrift Shop because of the good prices," said Spc. Pedro Martinez of Company C, 304th Military Intelligence Battalion. Martinez said he found a great bargain on a pocket knife.

Shuttleworth attributes the success of the Thrift Shop to the selfless work that the volunteers put in during the week.

The Thrift Shop is located in Building 90012 near the Main Gate. It is open Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is also open on the first Saturday of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. for sales. Consignment of large items takes place on the first Saturday of the month from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"Just come on in," Shuttleworth said, inviting anyone interested in becoming a Thrift Store volunteer. "Volunteers usually start out in the consignment room," she said. "It gives the volunteer an idea of what's going on, and afterwards they can work anywhere in the shop."

For more information, call the Thrift Shop at 458-4606.



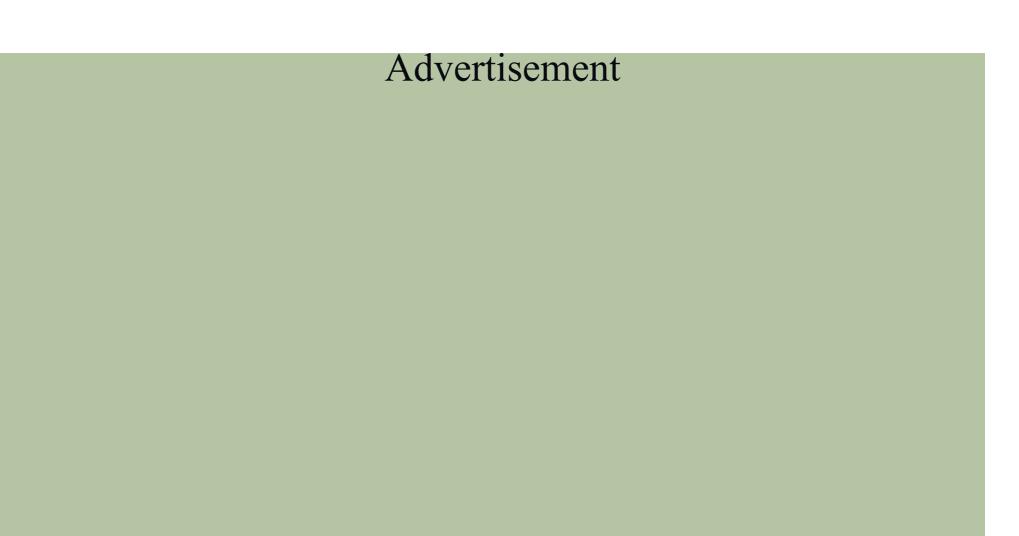
Lois Shuttleworth, thrift shop manager, checks in a customer consignment.



Volunteer Truda Fail (left) checks in a customer's consignment.



Customers peruse the many items the Fort Huachuca Thrift Shop has on sale.



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Ultimate sacrifice in support of Global War on Terrorism

Pvt. Reece Moreno, 19, of Prescott, Ariz., died of injuries suffered in a non-combat related incident in Balad, Iraq, on Friday. Moreno was assigned to the 92 Engineer Battalion, 3rd Sustainment Brigade, 3rd Infantry Division, Fort Stewart, Ga.

Lance Cpl. Joshua Alonzo, 21, of Dumas, Texas, died November 22 while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar Province, Iraq. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment, 3rd Marine Division, III Marine Expeditionary Force, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii.

Command Sgt. Maj. Donovan Watts, 46, of Atlanta, Ga., died Nov. 21 in Bayji, Iraq, of injuries sustained when an improvised explosive device detonated near his HMMWV during combat operations in Siniyah, Iraq. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Spc. Eric Vizcaino, 21, of New Mexico, died Nov. 21 in Balad, Iraq, of injuries suffered Nov. 20 in Samarra, Iraq, in a non-combat related incident. Vizcaino was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Sgt. James Musack, 23, of Riverside, Iowa, died of injuries suffered in a non-combat related incident in Samarra, Iraq, on Nov. 21. The incident is under investigation. Musack was assigned to the 7th Squadron, 10th Cavalry Regiment, 1st Brigade Combat Team, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Lance Cpl. Jeremy Shock, 22, of Tiffin, Ohio, died Nov. 19 from wounds suffered while conducting combat operations in Al Anbar province, Iraq. He was assigned to Marine Forces Reserve's 1st Battalion, 24th Marine Regiment, 4th Marine Divi-

sion, Perrysburg, Ohio.

Spc. Bradley Shilling, 22, of Stanwood, Mich., died Nov. 18 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near his vehicle during combat operations. Shilling was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 125th Infantry Regiment (Mechanized), Big Rapids, Mich.

Capt. Rhett Schiller, 26, of Wisconsin, died Nov. 16 in Balad Ruz, Iraq, of injuries suffered when his unit came in contact with enemy forces using small arms fire during combat operations. He was assigned to the 5th Squadron, 73rd Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Capt. John Dennison, 24, of Ijamsville, Md., died on Nov. 15 in Balad, Iraq, as a result of small arms fire. Dennison was assigned to 5th Squadron,

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73rd Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Two Soldiers died Nov. 15 in Baquba, Iraq, of injuries suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near their vehicle during combat operations. They were assigned to 1st Battalion, 12th Cavalry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Cavalry Division, Fort Hood, Texas.

Killed were:

Sgt. 1st Class Schuyler Haynes, 40, of New York.

Spc. Mitchel Mutz, 23, of Falls City, Texas.

Sgt. 1st Class Tung Nguyen, 38, of Tracy, Calif., died Nov. 14 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries suffered when his unit came in contact with enemy forces using small arms fire during combat operations. He was assigned to the 2nd Battalion, 3rd Special Forces Group, Fort Bragg, N.C.

Two Soldiers died Nov. 14 in Baghdad, Iraq, of injuries suffered when an improvised explosive device detonated near their vehicle during combat operations

Killed were:

Col. Thomas Felts Sr., 45, of Sandston, Va. He was assigned to the Command and General Staff College, School of Advanced Military Studies, Fort Leavenworth, Kan.

Spc. Justin Garcia, 26, of Elmhurst, N.Y. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Wash.

Spc. Eric Palacios Rivera, 21, of Atlantic City, N.J., died Nov. 14 in Ar Ramadi, Iraq, of injuries suffered when his unit came in contact with enemy forces using small arms fire during combat operations. He was assigned to the 1st Battalion, 18th Infantry Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division, Schweinfurt, Germany.

Troops enjoy holiday meals

U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center release

The holidays were a little bit tastier for warfighters serving in Iraq and Afghanistan thanks to a team of scientists at Natick Soldier Research, Development and Engineering Center.

More than 6,000 meals, consisting of turkey with gravy, mashed potatoes, stuffing, vegetables, cranberry jelly, snacks, desserts and beverage mixes, provided a Thanksgiving meal for forces that are operating in remote areas.

The meals are part of the Unitized Group Ration-Express, a self-heating group meal module developed and patented by the NSRDEC team. According to Peter Lavigne, project manager, the UGR-E modules provide hot meals for groups of 18 warfighters right out of the box, without the need for traditional food preparation equipment, personnel, fuel or even electricity.

The UGR-E will also reduce the

cost and logistical burden associated with using a field kitchen. With a quick pull of a tab, the meals are ready in 30 to 45 minutes.

"The heating technology for the UGR-E was adapted from the heater that is currently used in the individual Meal, Ready-to-Eat ration," said Lauren Oleksyk of the Equipment and Engineering Technology Team. "Like the MRE, the UGR-E is a shelf-stable product that does not require refrigerated storage, and can be quickly delivered, prepared and disposed of in a military operating environment."

NSRDEC, in an extremely short time period, coordinated with the U.S. Department of Transportation, Defense Supply Center Philadelphia and the Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command in order to fulfill a request from the Multinational Corps - Iraq to fabricate, assemble and label the self-heating holiday meals as required to meet applicable transport guidelines within the required timeframe.

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SKIES Unlimited Parent, Me tumble classes

Child and Youth Services' SKIES Unlimited Program has added classes for children of all ages.

One of their most recent additions is the "Parent and Me" tumble class. This class is designed for the parent to work with their child on hand-eye coordination and balance at an early age. Children are taught songs, basic gymnastics skills and cooperation skills of taking turns.

From balance beam, floor workout, to obstacle courses, children get to have fun while concentrating on increasing their coordination.

The program allows parents to enjoy a little extra one-on-one time with their child outside of the home and away from interruptions. The class provides a workout for both the parent and child, but most of all, it offers the opportunity to have fun.

Parents with children 1 to 3 are invited to join Parent and Me Tumble from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays at Murr Community Center.

The cost is \$35 a month and participants must be members of Child and Youth Services. There is an \$18 annual fee to be a CYS member.

For more information on this or any other **SKIES** *Unlimited* program, call Carrie Bradke at 533-8347.

The Child and Youth Services Central Enrollment and Registration Office, which is located in Murr Community Center, handles registration for **SKIES***Unlimited*.

For more registration information, call 533-0738.



Bottom photo, left to right: Aydn, Andrew, Meadow and Isabella, along with their parents, enjoy "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star" during the SKIESUnImited Parent & Me tumble classes.

Top photo: Aydn gets an airplane ride from his Dad, Chris, during the class.

Register to win at Jeannie's Diner

From tomorrow through Dec. 14, active duty military are invited to stop at Jeannie's Diner and register for a holiday stocking full of goodies. The drawing for the stocking will be held between 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. Dec. 15. The winner must be present during this time in order to claim their prize.

For more information, call Jeannie's Diner at 533-5759 or Desert Lanes at 533-2849.

Beginner's trap, skeet clinic set

The Sportsman's Center will offer a trap and skeet clinic for beginners starting at 10 a.m. Dec.

The cost of the class is \$10 and includes certified instruction, gun rental, ammunition, 25 shells, range fees and ear protection. Everyone is

For more information, call 533-7085.

Hay rides planned for early December

Buffalo Corral Horseback Riding Stables has planned holiday caroling hay rides from 5 to 7 p.m., Dec. 7 and Dec. 14.

The hay rides will begin at Brown Parade Field, and proceed through the housing area of Fort Huachuca.

The cost is \$10 per person, per ride. A family of four can attend for \$35 per ride. For each additional child, the cost is \$8.

Reservations and payment must be made by close of business the Wednesday before each hay ride. No money will be handled the nights of the rides.

foothills of the Huachuca Mountains.

The corral offers open riding, riding classes for private or group instruction, and a private mount area, in addition to trail rides.

For more information on the hay rides, or other services offered by Buffalo Corral, call 533-

Make reservations for 'Parents' Night Out'

Reservations are being taken at the Child and Youth Services Central Enrollment Registration Office at Murr Community Center for special child care hours.

Additional child care hours will be offered in December to provide parents the opportunity to attend the holiday ball or other functions.

Child and Youth Services will offer child care from 6 p.m. to 1 a.m. Dec. 8 at the School Age Services Building 52056, next to the Post Exchange. This date has been changed. It had been originally announced as Dec. 9.

The cost is \$3 per hour for the first child, \$2 per hour for the second child and \$7 per hour for a family of three or more children. Reservations and registration are required by Dec. 4. Infant space is limited.

For more information or to register, call the CER Office at 533-0738.

New classes at the MWR Arts Center

The MWR Arts Center offers a variety of classes for all ages, from children to adults.

A new class in candle making, using all natural soy products, will be offered from 6 to 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 13 and 20. Cost of the class is Buffalo Corral is located off Canelo Road in the \$10 per session and includes all materials.

From 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Saturday, the Arts Center will offer "Holiday Crafts for Kids," for ages 5 - 12. Cost of this special two-hour class is \$8.

Adult classes in the following areas will begin in early December at the Arts Center: framing, sculpting, Creative Memories scrap booking and pine needle basket making. Interested? Call for exact dates, times and cost of each class.

For more information, visit the Arts Center at the corner of Hatfield and Arizona Streets, Building 52008, or call 533-2015.

Racquetball coaches' meeting set

The coaches' meeting for the 2007 Intramural Racquetball Program will be held at 6 p.m. Dec. 13 at Barnes Field House.

Letters of intent for units wanting to enter a team into the program are due at that time. Team rosters are due by Dec. 20.

The program will begin Jan. 8, at Barnes Field House. This is a minor Commander's Cup

For more information, call Tom Lumley at 533-5031 or e-mail: thomas.lumley@hua.army. mil.

Cardio kickboxing offered at BFH

The Sports and Fitness Branch of MWR will offer cardio kickboxing class from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m., Mondays and Wednesdays; and from 5:30 to 6:15 p.m., Tuesdays and Thursdays, at Barnes Field House.

These classes are offered free of charge.

For more information call Alyssa Neider at

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The 36th Army Band performs during the 2005 concert. The band is gearing up for a busy concert season.

36th Army Band prepares for 2006 holiday season

By Staff Sgt. Ron Hinkle

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36th Army Band

"Twas the month before Christmas, and all through the band hall, not a Soldier was talking, not even a. . .um. . . 'Hi Ya'll'." Ok, so maybe I should stick with music!

But seriously, there is a little less talking these days around the 36th Army Band's rehearsal hall at Fort Huachuca. Seems that there is a lot of work to do in preparing for this year's holiday season, which culminates in the "Southwest Holiday Spirit" tour.

The season starts on Saturday, with participation in the 48th Annual Cartoon Christmas Parade in Sierra Vista. Next up will be a newly formed combo, "Frostbite and The Bonechillers."

The Bonechillers will present a decidedly more "funky" twist to Christmas music. For example, "Santa's Got A Mullet" is not a tune found in most caroling books! It is found in the Bonechillers book however, along with several other tunes geared to a twenty-something audience. Toward that end, the combo will play two concerts aimed at the large Advanced Individual Training student population. The dates and times for the concerts are: 7 p.m., Wednesday in Eifler Gym, and 7 p.m., Dec. 8 at the Oasis Café in Prosser Village. Both concerts are open to everyone.

If your tastes run toward more traditional Christmas favorites, don't despair! Caroling groups will perform at several locations through-

out the week of Dec. 11 through 19.

As stated earlier, the highlight of the season is the "Southwest Holiday Spirit" tour in December. The tour kicks off in Green Valley Dec. 11, moves to Yuma Dec. 12, Lake Havasu City Dec. 14 and back to Yuma Dec. 15.

The tour ends with a performance at the Buena Performing Arts Center in Sierra Vista Dec. 19. Show time for all concerts is 7 p.m. This festive show of lights and sound will include vintage holiday favorites as well as modern Christmas classics, offering an enjoyable evening for the entire family. Several of the band's talented vocalists will also be featured.

The 36th Army Band, "The Regimental Band of The Military Intelligence Corps," serves as the premier Army musical ensemble in the Southwest. The band regularly performs throughout Arizona, Utah, Colorado, Nevada and California. Members of the band also make up the San Pedro River Ramblers Dixie Band, the Arizona Big Band, the New Horizons Jazz Combo, The Peacemakers Country Combo, and other small combos. These specialized ensembles fulfill a wide variety of musical missions, presenting concerts and master classes in high schools and universities throughout the Southwest. The band can also be seen on the parade field as part of official ceremonies at Fort Huachuca and other military installations throughout the region. The band is commanded by Chief Warrant Officer Aaron Graff II, and 1st Sgt. Lester McKinney.

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Tour hosted by spouses club to highlight heritage

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Nothing captures the spirit of Fort Huachuca like its long history. The Fort Huachuca Community Spouses Club will celebrate this spirit with the Fort Huachuca Tour of Historic Homes. This has been an annual event since the 1990s and offers an opportunity for the public to see inside the historic homes that were built in the late 1800s. This is the 16th year that the club has sponsored the tour.

Residents of the historic district decorate their homes showcasing different holiday themes and antiques collected from around the world. One of the participants on the tour,

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Photo by Michael Collins

Col. Jeffrey Smith and his wife Deborah prepare for the Holiday Tour of Homes by dressing the stair rail at their home at Cruse House.

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Apache scouts served Army well, proudly

By Lori Tagg

Command historian

Following the Civil War, the U.S. Army faced the challenge of subduing Native American Indians on the western frontier to clear the way for Anglo settlement. An Act of Congress in July 1866 allowed the Army to enlist Indian scouts to expedite its

At peak, the U.S. Army included nearly 700 Indian scouts. In addition to rounding out the Army's ranks, the scouts provided much-needed experience in guerrilla tactics. They served as trackers, translators, and guides, as well as spies within reservation boundaries.

Indian scouts initially enlisted for tours of three to twelve months at a time. Many continuously re-enlisted, and for several, scout duty constituted the "family business" with sons following in their father's and grandfather's footsteps. Enlisted scouts received the same pay, benefits, and pensions as cavalry soldiers, and a 40-cent per day allowance if they furnished their own horse and equipment.

The use of Indian scouts in Arizona began when General George Crook took command of the Department of Arizona in 1871 and immediately enacted his unorthodox method of using Apache scouts against Apache warriors.

Fort Huachuca received its first detachment of Indian scouts only two months after its establishment in 1877. Most of these scouts, initially Yavapai Indians but later replaced by Apache, were recruited from the San Carlos Reservation. Twenty six men made up Company D, which was attached to a column of cavalry and commanded by an Anglo civilian with tracking experience.

Over the next 12 years, Fort Huachuca's scouts pursued Victorio and his band of Warm Springs Apache, Geronimo and his band of Chiricahua Apache, and outlaws like Apache Kid, through New Mexico and Arizona territories and into northern Mexico. When Geronimo surrendered and moved his band onto the reservation in 1886, the number of scouts gradually dwindled until only 50 remained in the entire Department of Arizona. Fort Huachuca's company disbanded in 1891 and all remaining scouts relocated to the San Carlos Reservation.

Some Indian scouts returned to Fort Huachuca in 1896, and between then and



Apache Indian scouts, with two prisoners, ca. 1882. In the early 1900s, the U.S. Army enforced some regularity in the uniforms worn by the

1916, their numbers ranged from 2 to 25. Throughout this time, the scouts at Fort Huachuca patrolled the international and post borders, watched for fires, cared for livestock, maintained trails and fences, drove trucks, and conducted all manner of manual labor as required.

In 1916, however, all scouts were relocated to Fort Apache. From there, a company of scouts accompanied General John Pershing on the Punitive Expedition into Mexico to punish Pancho Villa for depredations on American soil. The scouts, attached to the 10th Cavalry, spent the next year tracking Villistas as well as American

On October 20, 1922, all Indian scouts, totaling 33 in the entire U.S. Army, relocated to Fort Huachuca when the Fort Apache reservation closed. By this time, the Army felt it had little need for the special tracking skills the scouts possessed, and after 1924, no additional scouts were enlisted. Instead, the Army asked the scouts to perform a ceremonial role. They donned traditional, albeit glamorized, costumes as they marched in parades, posed for photographs, staged wagon train attacks, and served as extras in Hollywood movies. In 1935, Fort Huachuca had the only eight scouts remaining in the Army.

In 1943, Fort Huachuca's Detachment, Indian Scouts, was absorbed into the Detachment, Indian Scouts, Service Command

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Chalktalk Myer School

The Magellan Running Club completed its 12th week, with five running days. Top runners are: Third grade top boys: Montineze Cole-36 points, Levi Couillard-30 points, Johnny Taylor-29 points. Third-grade girls: Candice Miller-43 points, Aaliyah Trevina-38 points, Kelsey Camps-37 points. Fourth-grade boys: Rene-Reyna 28 points, Nestor Rodriguez, Kenese Loulave and Kevin Harris-24 points. Fourth-grade girls: Elliah Rio and Mia McCallum-37 points, Es'scence Smith-36 points. Fifth-grade boys: Andrew Camps-48 points, Damion Bishoff-33 points, Kenneth Knudson-32 points. Fifth-grade girls: Kierra McKnight-29 points, Melinda McCallum-26 points, Sahriah Trevino-23 points. The top class of each grade level with the most miles were: Jim Wolfe's third grade class with 48 miles; Jan Barnes' fourth grade class with 72 miles; and Audrey Mapoles' fifth grade class with 56 miles.

The Fifth Grade Iguana Be Fit and Healthy group completed their session this past Tuesday by completing a 2.5 miles trek up to the school's administration office. Their time was limited so the pace was brisk on this breezy, beautiful fall day. It was a sea of bright green T-shirts with the Iguana logo. Students had earned the shirt for their achievement of moving nearly 15 miles over the past two months. The Iguanas stopped to say hello to Dr. Frueauff and the group was invited in to have a frozen 100 percent fruit Popsicle. Before they left, the Iguanas got to see the acorn woodpecker who stores acorns in the telephone pole so the squirrels can't get them.

Maureen Brady's third graders are learning about Op Art. They are creating optical illusion cubes using parallelogram stencils. They are also using crayon-rubbing plates to create interesting textures, which they are using to put together collages.

Some of the classes are starting to learn about **cave art**. They made rock rubbings, which they painted pictographs on with fake blood paint. Maureen Brady's fourth graders are still learning how to draw in 3-D. They are making stage props for the Christmas music program, which has a Martian theme. The props are aliens and flying saucers. Maureen Brady's fifth graders are learning about Vincent Van Gogh and are recreating his "Starry Night" painting. They are also helping Linda Dailing's Christmas music program by making flags of the world.

The students at General Myer School have been learning about reference materials while in the library. They have spent the week looking for information about Iraq, Germany, Saudi Arabia, Afghanistan and Korea. The information they have located will go on a special bulletin board that talks about these countries. The board also displays clocks from these different time zones, mileage from Arizona to these countries and pictures of loved ones who are stationed there right now.

The students are also **logging in a lot of AR points.** A new display shows students who have reached 25 pts, 50 pts, 100 pts, 250 pts and 500 pts. These points will be converted into miles and see if readers can make it to Springfield, Mass.(a distance of 2196 miles) by March 2, which is the birthplace of Theodore Geisel (aka: Dr. Seuss). March 2 is Read Across America and Dr. Seuss' birthday.

Web site offers support

Scout reports

The "America Supports You" program offers the American public an opportunity to show to our troop's unified support, and to positively impact troop morale both on the home front and in forward-deployed locations.

ASY is a nationwide program launched by the Department of Defense, recognizing citizens' support for our military men and women and communicates that support to members of our Armed Forces at home and abroad, according to the programs Web site.

All across America, thousands of individual citizens, businesses, and groups — from local schools and establishments to nationally-known corporations and organizations — are hosting events and undertaking projects to support America's Armed Forces, especially in forward-deployed areas of the Global War on Terrorism.

The support of the American people builds and sustains the morale of those fighting to defend freedom against the tyranny of terrorism, and communicates America's recognition and appreciation



of their courage and commitment to our

ASY spotlights what Americans are doing all across the land and allows all to tell their stories by giving voice and visibility to their efforts.

The ASY Web site allows participants to register and be recognized, share their stories of support with the nation and the troops, and download program materials for distribution and dissemination. Military members can access the web and learn about America's support for their service.

The America Supports You Dog Tag is the official emblem of the program, and serves as a visible force multiplier in projecting the message that America supports our military men and women.

For more information on the program visit America Supports You.mil.

Tombstone schools send care packages to deployed fort Soldiers

By Thom Williams

Scout Staff

Students and staff in the Tombstone Unified School District sent Soldiers from Fort Huachuca's 86th Signal Battalion 18 care packages filled with 175 lbs. holiday treats to provide them a slice of home for Thanksgiving.

The community service project was the brainchild of Caitlyn Harrison, 17, a senior at the school and daughter of Sgt. 1st Class Lawrence Harrison, a military intelligence Soldier who is currently serving a one-year tour in South Korea.

"During holidays most people focus on sending stuff for Christmas so we wanted to try and get something out for Thanksgiving so that the Soldiers could have a little bit of home while they are out there working," Harrison said.

"As a family member of an active-duty military person who is away this year I knew that he really really cared about Thanksgiving and he wanted cookies so we thought maybe the troops in Iraq would too."

Each package contained cookies, candy, cake mix and 50 cards.

In order to get all of the staff and students in the TUSD involved in the project, the Tombstone High School National Honor Society

used their portion of their society dues money to offer an ice cream party to the homeroom that donated the most items to the project.

Harrison contacted the U.S. Army Intelligence Center's Chief of Staff, Col. Timothy Quinn, who gave her the addresses of the 11th Signal Brigade Soldiers who are deployed in Iraq.

The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 9972 in Sierra Vista picked up the cost of sending the packages to Iraq priority mail.

The students mailed the boxes Nov. 10 and have not heard if the Soldiers received the care packages.

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Unit 1922. Four years later, when Fort Huachuca was scheduled for deactivation, the Army's last four Indian scouts (Staff Sergeant Sinew L. Riley, and Sergeants William Major, Joe Kessay, and Ivan Antonio) retired.

Fort Huachuca was honored to have had access to the specialized skills of the Indian scouts for nearly

70 continuous years. During that time, the Army afforded the scouts freedom to practice their religion and many of their traditional life ways, unlike the Native American Indians residing on reservations. In return, the scouts gave the Army loyalty and an unparalleled knowledge of the terrain and tactics of the opponent.

That the scouts were proud of their accomplishments can be heard in the words of Sergeant Sinew Riley, one of the last Apache scouts: " ... We shall always be proud of our Indian people and of the United States Army for we were truly the first Americans and you in the Army are now our warriors. To you who will keep the

Army's campfires bright, we extend our hand, and to you we will our fighting hearts."

Significantly, the Army recently resurrected the skills of the Indian scouts in a Combat Tracking Course taught at Fort Huachuca. It is a fitting nod to a group of warriors who contributed an exciting and noteworthy chapter of the post's history.



Sinew Riley with his son at Fort Huachuca in the 1930s. In 1947, Riley retired as one of four Indian scouts still in the Army.

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Deborah Smith of Cruse House noted, "I love living in the house. This was a great opportunity to share the stories of the post and this historic home with the Sierra Vista community."

Dayna Pollett of Crook House said, "We had so much fun last year that we wanted to do again this year. People from all over came to visit the homes and they really enjoyed the tour, particularly the retirees and others from the Army community."

The homes on the tour remain as they were constructed more than a hundred years ago. The foundations for these historic houses were laid in 1883, after General William Sherman approved the construction of a permanent facility at Fort Huachuca. Each of the featured homes is named after an important individual who was instrumental in the development and planning of Fort Huachuca and the Army.

This year, there are 14 homes on the tour with five of the single family residences and nine of the duplexes open for viewing. Every home on the tour is unique and the decorating styles of the residents add to the individuality of each home's 'story.' B-Troop members will be stationed outside each home to check tickets, help answer questions and direct or assist participants. An information booth will be set up outside the museum where volunteers will sell tickets and provide brochures detailing the homes.

The tour will start and end at the post museum. Visitors should wear comfortable shoes as it is a self-guided walking tour. Cider and water will be available for purchase at the museum. Hot cider and coffee, as well as homemade baked goods, will be available at the tent in Henry Circle for donations only. Homes are not wheelchair accessible and cameras and video equipment are prohibited. No children under 10 years old, strollers or backpacks are permitted inside the residences. Photography inside the homes is prohibited, but photos taken outside are allowed as keepsake items.

The tour of homes will begin Sunday at 2 p.m. and continue to 6 p.m. Cost is \$8 per person in advance, \$9 the day of the tour. Tickets are available at the Fort Huachuca Museum, Murr Community Center, the Sierra Vista Chamber of Commerce, Safeway, the Sierra Vista Convention and Visitor's Bureau and many other locations.

The Fort Huachuca Community Spouses Club is a non-profit, private organization that raises money for the community in the form of scholarships and charitable contributions. All profits from this tour go toward that end.

For more information about the Fort Huachuca Tour of Historic Homes, call 459-2686.



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"A Murder is Announced" opens

Bisbee's Obscure Productions will open Agatha Christie's "A Murder is Announced" at 7:30 p.m. on Friday. This play is based on Miss Marple's mystery novel.

"Murder" will play Friday and Saturday, Dec. 8 and 9, at 7:30 p.m. There will also be a matinee at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday. All shows will be at the Bisbee Woman's Club, 7 Ledge Avenue on Quality Hill in Old Bisbee.

For information, contact Rae Jones at 236-1754 or e-mail bisbeesobscure@gmail.com.

Racquet Club hosts holiday tournament

The Cochise Health and Racquet Club will host the 6th Annual Sierra Vista and Fry Fire Department's Christmas Toy Drive racquetball Play Dec. 9, at 8:30 a.m. This year's tournament format will be round-robin, pot-luck doubles, meaning all players will be paired with a new partner for every round of play.

All skill levels, from beginner to advanced, are encouraged to participate.

The entrance fee is a new "unwrapped" toy to be donated to the firefighter's toy drive.

The club is located at 4225 Avenida Cochise in Sierra Vista near the Windemere Hotel. For more information contact Elmo Long at 249-

Winter Break Basketball Camp set

The Sierra Vista Parks and Leisure Services will be conducting Co-ed Winter Break Youth Basketball Camps Dec. 21-23 at Apache Middle School.

The Midget Camp for youth ages 5-8 will run from 8 to 9:30 a.m., with the Junior Camp for youth 9-15 scheduled from 9:45 to 11:15 a.m.

The cost is \$25 with every participant receiving a Camp T-Shirt.

For information call 458-7922.

Southwest Soul Concert planned

The Southwest Soul Circuit, a group of singers who specialize in Neo-Soul, Jazz, and Neo-Gospel, will give a concert at 7 p.m. Tuesday at the Buena Performing Arts Center in Buena High School.

The concert features recording artists Soulfruit, Kevin Hamilton and the Next Level Orchestra.

Visit www.swsoulcircuit.com for Sierra Vista ticket information. For more information contact Tanishia Hamilton at (520) 360-4109 or email her at Tanishia@swsoulcircuit.com.

Buena High School is located at 5225 E. Buena School Boulevard in Sierra Vista.

Museum celebrates sixth birthday

The Henry F. Hauser Museum will be celebrating its sixth birthday from 4 to 7 p.m. Wednesday with an evening of "down home" pioneer ranching fun. There will be cookies, cider, and pioneer crafts for the kids. The museum is located in the Ethel Berger Center at 2950 E. Tacoma Street in Sierra Vista behind City Hall.

Brown Canyon Ranch exhibit shown

The Henry F. Hauser Museum has a new exhibit called "Brown Canyon Ranch: 100 Years of Ranching History" that displays artifacts, photographs, and personal recollections and memoirs of the ranch.

The exhibit will be on display through Jan. 31. Museum hours are Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Saturdays, October through March, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The museum is located in the Ethel Berger Center at 2950 E. Tacoma Street in Sierra Vista.

Free genealogy workshop planned

The Ethel Berger Center is offering a free one-day

Genealogy Workshop for beginners from 9 a.m. to noon on the first Wednesday of every month where you can learn to research and document your family's history.

To register for the event call 417-6980. The Ethel Berger Center is located at 2950 E. Tacoma Street in Sierra Vista behind City Hall.

Holiday Craft Bazaar to be held

A free Holiday Craft Bazaar will be held from noon to 6 p.m. Dec. 8 and from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Dec. 9 at the Ethel Berger Center.

The Ethel Berger Center is located at 2950 E. Tacoma Street in Sierra Vista behind City Hall.

Tucson museum trip offered

Sierra Vista Parks and Leisure Services is offering a active adult trip to the Tucson Museum of Art to view the El Nacimiento exhibit on Tuesday.

The exhibit takes an entire room in a historic adobe building that's part of the museum's campus. The top half of the scene is devoted to Christmas and biblical stories, while the bottom depicts life in small Mexican villages and in Arizona.

The trip is open to those 50 years of age and older and costs \$22.

For more information, call 417-6980.

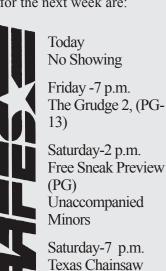
Trip to Tubac luminaria night set

Sierra Vista Parks and Leisure Services is planning a trip to Tubac for the Luminaria Nights-Fiesta Navidad, the towns annual celebration of the Holiday Season on Dec. 9. Stores are open until 9

The cost of the trip is \$20 and is open to those 50 years of age and older. The trip will depart from the Ethel Berger Center at 3:30 p.m. For more information on the trip call 417-6980.

At The Movies

Showing at the Cochise Theater for the next week are:



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Where's Wettie?

Wettie is admiring some low water use plants at Smith Middle School. This demonstration garden was created by Smith Middle School students to show that low water use landscapes (xeriscapes) can be attractive and functional. It is also a good way to showcase native plants.

Congratulations to Matthew Monge of Smith Middle School who correctly identified Wettie's loca-

tion. He receives a certificate and cool Wettie items.

Watch for your chance to play again next week. Meanwhile continue to practice Water Wise behavior on Fort Huachuca.

GOOD LUCK!

This contest is sponsored by the Fort Huachuca Water Wise and Energy Smart program and The Fort Huachuca Scout.

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2006 Intramural Basketball Standings

(as of Nov. 27, 2006)

	<u>Conference A</u>		
TEAM	W	L	PCT.
*Run & Gun	3	0	1.000
HHC 11th SIG	2	0	1.000
Co. F, 309 th MI BN #2	3	1	.750
Co. C, 40 th SIG	2	1	.666
69 th Signal Company	1	1	.500
Co. B, 309 th MI BN #1	1	2	.333
Co. A, 305 th MI BN	1	3	.250
Co. E, 309 th MI BN #2	0	1	.000
HHC 111th MI	0	1	.000
Co. B, USASTB	0	3	.000

	Conference B		
TEAM	W	L	PCT.
Co. F, 309th MI BN #1	3	0	1.000
556 Signal Company	3	0	1.000
Co. B, 305 th MI BN	1	0	1.000
Co. B, 40 th Signal Bn	2	1	.666
NCOA	1	1	.500
JITC	1	1	.500
Co. B, 309 th MI BN #2	1	1	.500
Co. E, 309 th MI BN #1	0	1	.000
MEDDAC	0	3	.000
Co. C, 304th MI BN	0	4	.000
*Recreational Team			

Players from Company A, 305th Military Intelligence Battalion, in blue and the 69th Signal Company, in black, fight for a rebound ball during a game at Barnes Field House. The 69th Signal Company won the basketball game 39-33.



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